IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Attorney Docket No. RSW920030100US1 In re Application of: §

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§ For: MANAGING A COMPUTER MASS STORAGE SYSTEM THAT § §

HOSTS MULTIPLE USERS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows. No fee is believed to be required to submit this amendment. However, in the event any fees are required, please charge IBM CORPORATION'S Deposit Account No. 09-0461. No extension of time is believed to be necessary. However, in the event an extension of time is required, that extension of time is hereby requested. Please charge any fee associated with an extension of time as well as any other fee necessary to further the prosecution of this application to IBM CORPORATION'S Deposit Account No. 09-0461.